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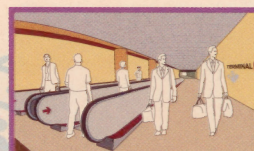
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Anime for all

More of what you want from Anime Network!

Welcome to the third edition of *Anime Network Quarterly*!

There's been a flurry of activity over at Anime Network headquarters lately. Since the last issue, we've rolled out a revamped website, with instant access to our 24/7 schedule, along with Anime Network On Demand schedules for every provider. Speaking of video-on-demand, we're thrilled to announce a new deal with Adelphia On Demand, bringing anime goodness to select Adelphia markets including Southern California and Cleveland Heights. We've also rolled out in new Time Warner markets, including my former collegiate home of Austin, TX.

Those of you with access to Anime Network On Demand may have noticed some cool changes recently. We've been busy pimping our VOD, adding many of the cool network IDs and block graphics from the 24/7 channel. We've shuffled our VOD offerings to match our signature programming blocks on the Network.

And on Anime Network, we've continued to bring the coolest new programming possible. Our latest destination is Terminal A, airing Sunday nights at 9 p.m. Terminal A features new arrivals to the network, giving our fans a sneak peek at the next round of hit titles. In the past few months, we've debuted episodes of

Peacemaker, *Chrono Crusade*, *Mezzo*, *Get Backers*, *New Fist of the North Star* and more. Turn to page 8 for more on Terminal A, and keep your eyes peeled on www.theanimenetwork.com for the latest programming highlights.

We've got more excitement in the pipeline. December will mark two years since our initial VOD launch in Philadelphia...kind of amazing where we've come in such a short time. Look for some birthday celebrations...

All the gang here at ANHQ get a kick out of hearing from YOU! Let us know how we're doing, what you like, what you can't stand, what you want to see. We've been getting some great anime haiku from across the country. Keep submitting them on our website, and be sure to check page 12 to see if one of yours made it into this issue! We're also continuing to tour the nation, one college campus and anime con at a time. Check the website for updates, and be sure to drop by to say hi when we're in your town. We love meeting our fans, and we always have some super cool free stuff to give away!

Catch you online, on campus, at a con, or in the next *Anime Network Quarterly*!

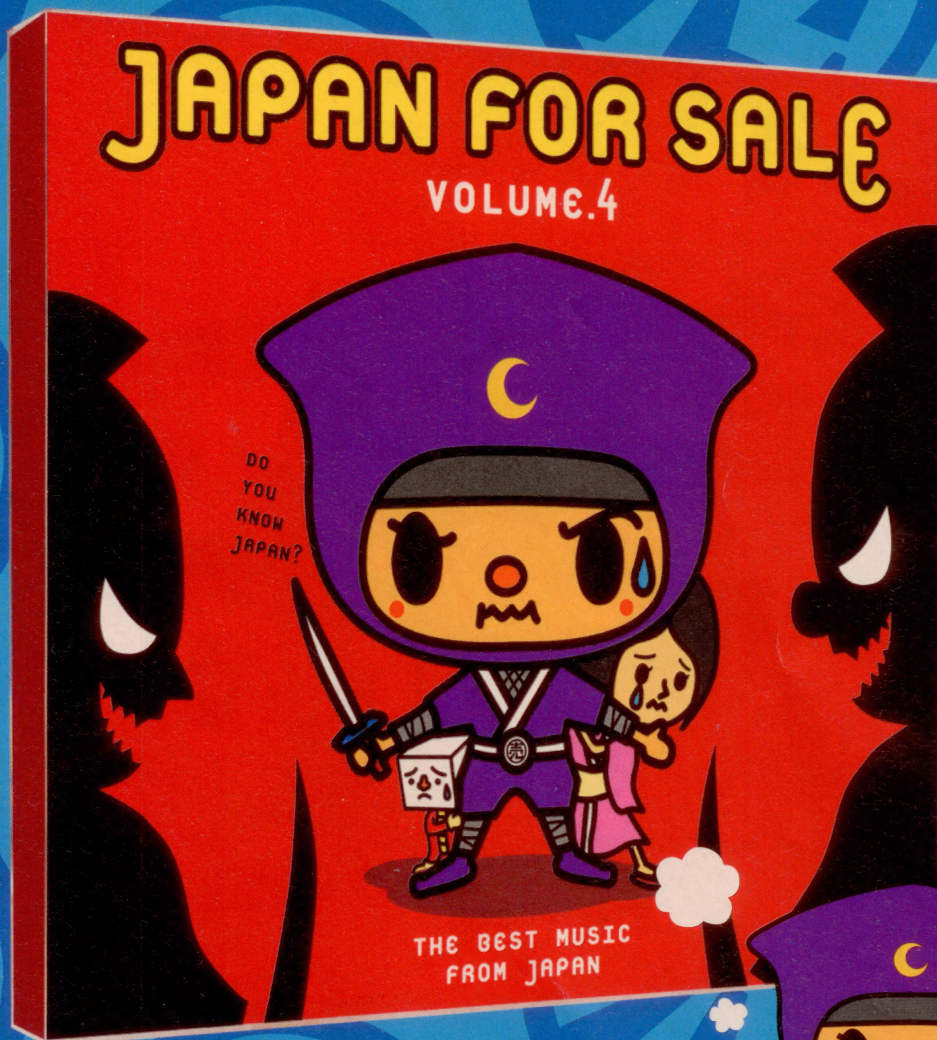
Chris Nelson
DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMMING



Be sure to check out our newly redesigned site, packed with the latest programming info and plenty of extras! And while you're there, don't forget to demand your anime!
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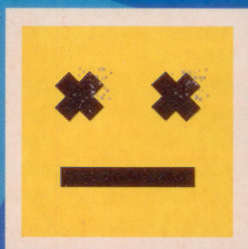
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A nun and a devil
team up in
GONZO's latest

CHRONO

Meet Sister Rosette Christopher—a spunky blonde nun and agent of the Magdalene Order, a convent interested not only in serving the will of a higher power, but also in helping the police chase down and destroy troublesome devils. Rosette and her spiky-haired devil partner Chrono battle the forces of evil in 1920s Manhattan while searching for Rosette's missing brother Joshua in *Chrono Crusade*.

These two aren't just friends—Chrono's also bound to Rosette by supernatural contract, sealed by the pocket watch she wears around her neck. When the going gets tough and the duo faces especially brutish baddies, Chrono

can unleash his full devil fury and go medieval on them. However, all that extra power comes at a terrible price: It shortens Rosette's life!

Luckily, not everyone they face requires such desperate measures. For everyday operations, they've also got a wide array of divine arms at their disposal, such as guns that shoot mystical bullets that are specially crafted for maximum effectiveness against devils. And they're gonna need all the firepower they can get to face Aion, the leader of the Sinners and the man who holds the key to Joshua's whereabouts.

But *Crusade* isn't just about serious action. There's plenty of comic interplay between

our dynamic duo. Rosette is a bold and brazen tomboy, which plays very well to Chrono's straight man, especially when the comedy's physical. You won't be able to help laughing while feeling just a little bit naughty.

Crusade is one of the lead titles for Anime Network's new Sunday night Terminal A programming block, the place where you'll find the hottest new anime premieres.

"*Chrono Crusade's* high-speed action, gripping drama and impeccable sense of comedy make it one of the hottest new additions to our lineup," says Chris Nelson, director of programming for Anime Network. "What's not to like

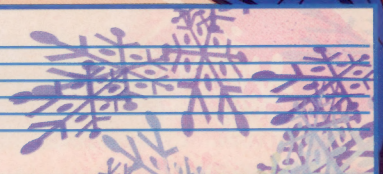
about an anime featuring guns that fire tiny devil bullets? Its 1920s New York style and 21st century anime sensibilities combine perfectly to tell the tale of Sister Rosette and her partner Chrono as the pair searches for her missing brother. Studio GONZO has transformed Daisuke Moriyama's tale of good and evil into must-see anime that you'll only see one place—Anime Network."

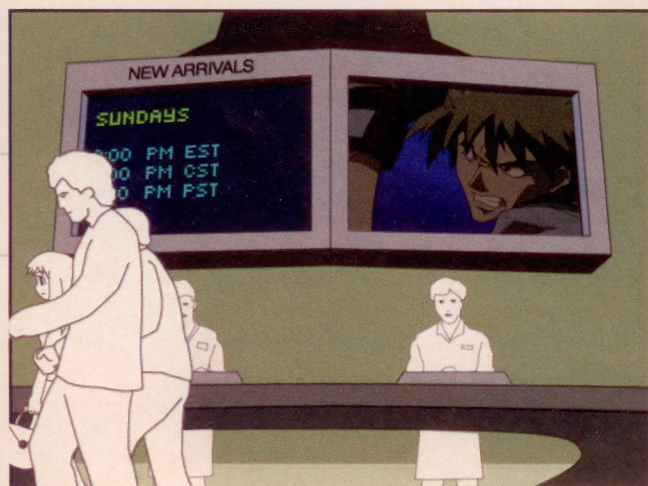
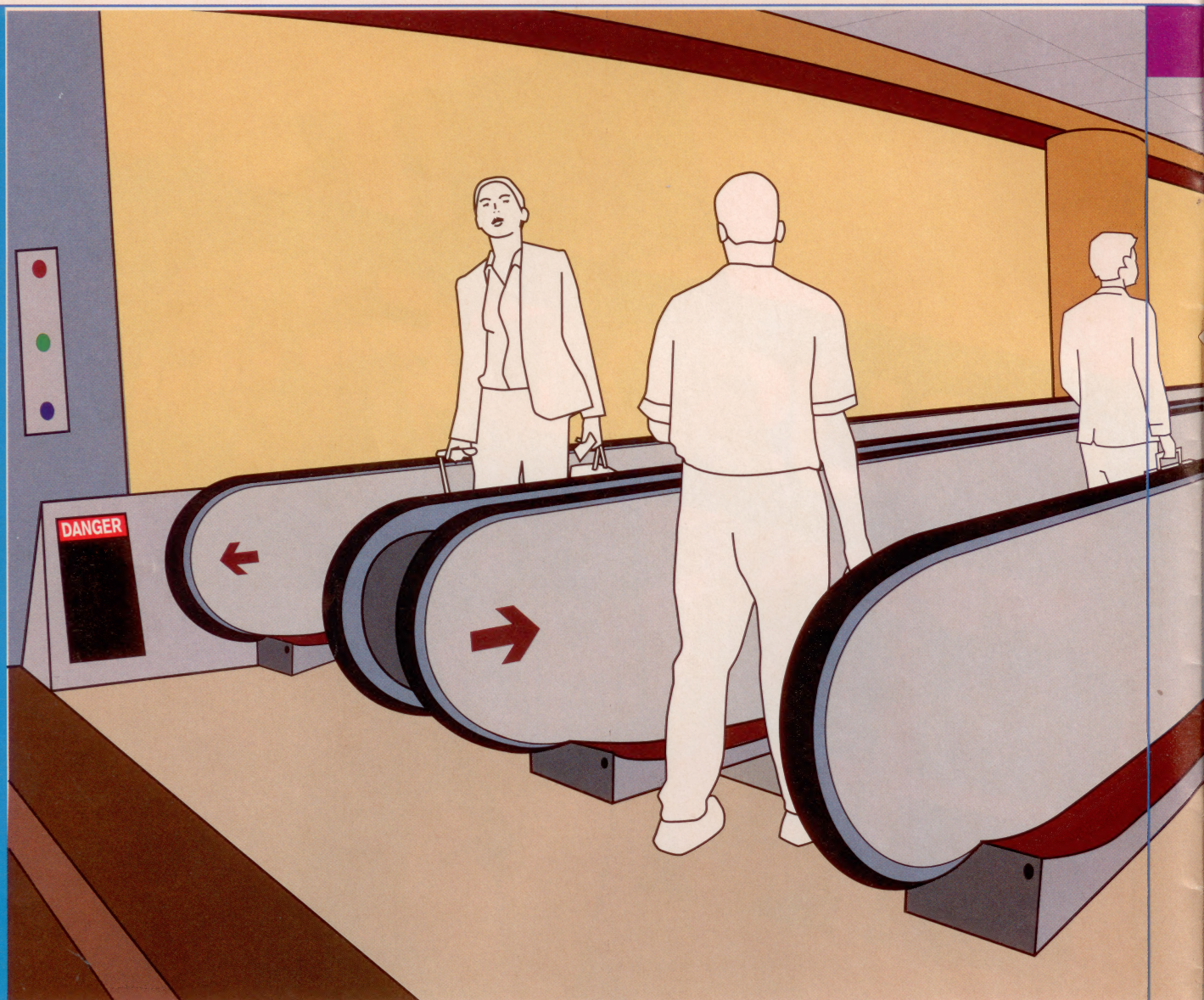
Will Rosette ever see her brother again? Will her connection to Chrono mean the end of her? Tune in to Anime Network to find out—and afterward, be sure to pick up the DVDs from ADV Films, on sale now at Suncoast!

CRUSADE



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**YOUR TICKET TO
CUTTING-EDGE CONTENT**

TERMINAL A TAKES FLIGHT

Anime fans are a diverse lot. We adore our giant robots—but we also squeal with delight over sassy school-girls. We're adrenaline junkies, hooked on hot action—but we also like to slow it down a bit, savoring the simple pleasures of everyday life. Yet one thing (other than our love for anime) unites us all: We crave the latest, greatest stuff straight from Japan!

Anime Network is here to slake your thirst for bleeding-edge content. Our newest programming offering is Terminal A, a destina-

tion for anime lovers seeking the newest arrivals to the Anime Network lineup. Every Sunday at 9 p.m., Terminal A features new, never-before-seen programs. Viewers who arrive at Terminal A will be treated to the North American debut of programs like *Mezzo*, *Peacemaker*, *D•N•Angel*, *Petite Princess Yucie* and *Chrono Crusade*, in addition to the network premieres of *Boogiepop Phantom*, *Lady Death*, *Cyberteam in Akihabara*, *Galaxy Fraulein Yuna* and much more!

Conceived as a virtual

anime airport terminal where characters and series arrive and mingle with network viewers, Terminal A takes its visual cues from airport safety info cards. Anime Network art director Chris Hawley created 2D vector-based graphics inspired by various airport locations, rotoscoping in live-action figures alongside anime characters. Savvy viewers might even spot a portion of the tarmac in the shape of a giant robot!

The Terminal A spots were voiced by superstar actress Luci Christian. Luci

recently played the role of Sasshi in *Magical Shopping Arcade Abenobashi* and was also Kaname Chidori in *Full Metal Panic!* For Terminal A, Luci adopted the role of an international airport terminal announcer. Luci's announcements are complemented by an airport soundscape crafted by sound designer Matt Crawford.

If you don't already have Anime Network, head to www.theanimenetwork.com for a taste of Terminal A. And while there, be sure to fill out our handy form to demand your anime!



'Kaja Kaja Goo' on Anime Network

Polysics' video rocks its way onto Bento Beat Box

Known for their lightning-fast, spastic take on '80s new-wave group Devo, Tokyo rock band Polysics will be featured on Anime Network's Bento Beat Box with their video for "Kaja Kaja Goo." The song is featured on their new best-of album *Polysics or Die!!!!*. The video can also be found on Tofu Records' compilation DVD *Japan for Sale Vol. 4*.

Polysics' lead singer Hiroyuki Hayashi grew up listening to early techno-pop and punk rock, and he wanted to bring those elements to life in his own way. That meant taking inspiration from Devo's robotic song structures and flattening the songs out even more, then cranking up the volume and adding female vocals (in the person of bassist Fumi and keyboardist Kayo). Hayashi's brash, unbridled screams carry the songs along in a bilingual mixture of Japanese and English, while the band backs him up with a heavy blend of buzzing synthesizers, ear-piercing guitars and crashing drums.

The band has built a devoted following for their unpredictable live shows. Dressed in matching uniforms, which vary from show to show, Polysics expand on the mechanical sound of their records by pushing just a little further



BENTO BEATBOX ミュージック

HAYASHI'S BRASH, UNBRIDLED SCREAMS CARRY THE SONGS ALONG IN A BILINGUAL MIXTURE OF JAPANESE AND ENGLISH, WHILE THE BAND BACKS HIM UP WITH A HEAVY BLEND OF BUZZING SYNTHESIZERS, EAR-PIERCING GUITARS AND CRASHING DRUMS.

than the songs are meant to go—and by further, we mean *louder*. Hayashi often ends up writhing around on the floor with his guitar, and he likes to involve the audience in a spirited exchange

of excited banter.

The "Kaja Kaja Goo" video centers on what appears to be a visual commentary on Kenji Kawakami's wildly popular book *101 Unuseless Japanese Inventions*. It

opens with a woman displaying a hopelessly forlorn look on her face, a problem that's quickly remedied by putting on a pair of glasses with little handles to help her mouth curl up into a smile. The other vignettes don't go so far as to show the problems the subjects were enduring before the inventions made their lives better, but a toilet paper dispenser hat, a spare fake hand for chopping vegetables and even a wheeled seat for readers on the go are some of the things showcased.

The video doesn't just focus on the inventions, though—it also features some snazzy footage of Polysics playing live. Blending their robotic movements with the already uncomfortable motions of the people in the clips, the scenes create a perfect juxtaposition. The red flower-pot hats that the band is known for wearing (which were borrowed straight from Devo's "Whip It" video) aren't there, but their intimidating, face-obscuring silver visors are, as well as the matching black jumpsuits with the signature Polysics "P" on the chest. And that letter "P," in addition to standing for Polysics, might just mean "perfect"—as in the perfect blend of computers, guitars and good old nervous energy.

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POLLS WE ASKED, YOU ANSWERED!

What new shows are you most looking forward to seeing on Anime Network?

Chrono Crusade	30%
Aquarian Age	20%
New Fist of the North Star... ..	16%
Mezzo	14%
Peacemaker	12%
Get Backers	8%

Which Azumanga Daioh character would you go on a date with?

Sakaki	23%
Ayuma	14%
Kagura	14%
Chiyo	13%
Chihiro.....	12%
Kaorin	12%
Koyomi	12%



Mustaches?

Uhhhh...no	66%
Heck yeah!	34%



Want to see your anime haiku in the next *Anime Network Quarterly*? Or, better yet, on Anime Network itself?

Then submit your anime haiku via e-mail at haiku@theanimenetwork.com,

or mail it to:

Anime Haiku
5750 Bintliff, Suite 216
Houston, TX 77036

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Nuggin' it up?

Constantly!	55%
What?	38%
Hell nah!	7%

Oh lovely Sanzo
Why must you play with
our hearts
Causing girls to fight

—Brenda Hare
Oxon Hill, MD

Get Backers can find
Anything you want them to...
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—Courtney Curry
Roslyn Heights, NY

Anguish of the world
Anime releases me
All is sane again

—Jarret Ferro
Long Island, NY

Sadness is within
No anime network here
Perhaps I will move

—Cainnum
Austin, TX

Ed gives Ein candy
Bebop needs a tune up soon
Pay what you owe, Faye

—Adrienne Oliver
Bridgeport, CT

Snuggly gray kitten
Innocently you slumber
Watch out, Sakaki

—Jessica
Marblehead, MA



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Old School

Relive the golden age of anime every weekday afternoon. They call these shows "classic" for a reason.

FEATURED TITLE: *BATTLE OF THE PLANETS*

In this hit '80s TV show, five ninja teens don bird-like superhero costumes to fight an alien menace. See why this classic show spawned a series of similar releases for decades to come!



Perfect Sessions

Pure, unadulterated anime delivered straight to your TV. Here, you can watch an entire OVA series all at once, or a string of episodes back to back to back.

FEATURED TITLE: *SAMURAI X DIRECTOR'S CUT*

Cursed to seek atonement for his bloody life as a samurai warrior, Rurouni Kenshin is a lost soul who wanders through Japan, vowing to draw his sword only to help those in need.



Giant Robots

When you need to unwind after a hard day's work, nothing is quite so relaxing as a heaping helping of mechanical mayhem.

FEATURED TITLE: *NEO RANGA*

An ancient god is awoken from his slumber. He lumbers toward Tokyo, in search of three beautiful sisters. But the military wants nothing to do with this "Neo Ranga" and sends out the big guns to shoot him down.



Girl Power

It's a fact: Girls rule. To prove the point, Anime Network offers up a block of girl-friendly programs, from shoujo fun to shonen-ai romance.

FEATURED TITLE: *GRAVITATION*

Beautiful boys rock the house in this charming tale of a young songwriter who finds himself oddly attracted to a handsome but brutally blunt author.



Super Happy Funtime

Things get saucy when the sun goes down. Super Happy Funtime is perfect for a late-night fix of mature anime.

FEATURED TITLE: *SISTER PRINCESS*

Failing your high school entrance exam isn't all bad—especially for Wataru Minakami, who ends up on a mysterious island with 13 sisters vying for his attention. Then again...maybe it's not easy being stranded amid so much estrogen!



Action Zone

A nonstop block of furious fun. Everyone can use a little more action in their lives—and Anime Network is here to help.

FEATURED TITLE: *MEZZO*

Mikura is all about service with a smile. Just don't write her off as another cute face! The orange-suited hottie is one-third of the Danger Service Agency, a group that will take on any job, no matter what the hazards!



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Still waiting for Anime Network to reach your neck of the woods? Well, wait no longer! You might already have Anime Network On Demand, a video-on-demand service that's in about 12 million households nationwide! For the latest programming and availability info, check out www.theanimenetwork.com!

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what you watch
because we're
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watchable DVDs!

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Excuse us.
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Manga mania
strikes again!
Read to succeed
with these cool 10
manga picks!

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20 WINTER COOL DVDS

WHETHER IT'S ANOTHER DVD FOR YOUR COLLECTION OR A GIFT FOR A FELLOW ANIME AFICIONADO, THESE 20 COOL PICKS ARE SURE TO PLEASE.

D-N-ANGEL

Daisuke suffers from the family curse: Each time he thinks about the girl he loves, he transforms into the legendary (and infinitely cooler) Phantom Thief Dark. Like all family curses, there's a way he can break it: All he has to do is get the girl in question to love him back. Of course that's easier said than done since the girl of Daisuke's dreams has the hots for his dashing alter ego!

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IKKI TOUSEN

After being handed her rump by Taishigi, Hakufu not only has to deal with keeping her luscious locks about her as she becomes entangled in the plots of the rival schools, but she must also come to terms with being the spiritual descendant of the vicious Shou-Haou. Can our busty babe bounce through this one unscathed, or will she have to hand out some gift-wrapped rump of her own?

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THE DAICHIS

What do you get when you have a man who wastes away in a job he hates, a woman who hides from herself to avoid facing her mistaken marriage, a girl with homework issues and a boy who acts the clown to keep everyone else laughing? You get the world's greatest hope against aliens, of course. That is, if this family on the edge can keep themselves out of therapy!

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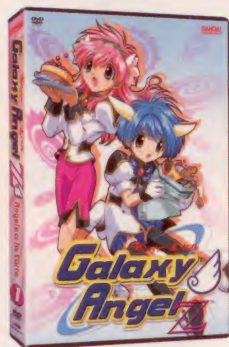


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GALAXY ANGEL Z

The Galaxy Angels are back for more intergalactic zaniness! In addition to looking for that elusive Lost Technology, they're hunting ghosts, going toe-to-toe with the Great Muscle, and getting trapped in costumes belonging to an absent-minded tribal chieftain! Then again, what else would you expect from these heavenly heroines who always manage to find their way into wacky situations?!

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NEON GENESIS EVANGELION PLATINUM

In Volume 3 of this definitive edition of the classic *Evangeli*on, NERV is left defenseless when a power failure cripples Tokyo 3. Then a new round of attacks target

specific NERV members. Making matters worse, Rei, Shinji and Asuka are lost in a maze of tunnels as they try to find their way to the underground EVA launch bays. And what's up with Misato? It's a hot time in the old secret base tonight!

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GUNGRAVE

Brandon has an idea to create his own Sweeper Team called True Grave, but he will first try to cut off an unholy war at the head. Meanwhile, Harry has to take a break from his pursuits of power and passion—he's got his hands full fending off a zombie invasion at Millennium. Oh...there's also that whole Big Daddy thing going on, too. Sounds like a busy day.

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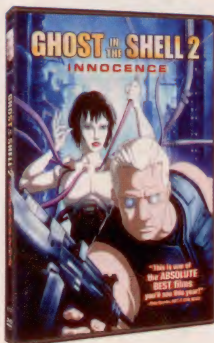


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In 2032, cyborgs are more common than unenhanced humans. Batou, a veteran with the police unit Section 9, is a tricked-out man-machine who hunts cyber criminals. All that's left of "him" are some bits of brain and a memory—including recollections of his lost partner Motoko Kusanagi. Without his body or Motoko, Batou might finally learn what it means to be human...

DreamWorks, 13+



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THE BIG O II COMPLETE COLLECTION

With the battle for Paradigm City over, Roger has some serious soul-searching to do. Still confused about who he is and what the world was like before he (and everyone else) was struck with the biggest case of amnesia ever known, his life is anything but normal. Still, there are clues to unravel and mysteries that need to be worked out, along with an occasional problem requiring the assistance of a gigantic robot.

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CHRONO CRUSADE



Sister Rosette of the Magdalene Order gets a new bullet with a devil inside that just may shake up the exorcism business—of course that depends on Rosette keeping track of the thing! Now the nun-with-a-gun is in a bind as she and her friends try to find it before Sister Kate catches on. But it just may be too late—someone has found the Spirit bullet, and it ain't the good guys.

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GHOST IN THE SHELL: STAND ALONE COMPLEX

Major Motoko Kusanagi and Section 9 are back at it when "The Laughing Man" makes a new appearance. As the investigation heats up, Section 9 starts listening in on chat-room conversations only to find the users aren't who they seem to be (dishonest chat-ers? Never!). Batou also has some issues brewing as he deals with a serial killer linked to his past.

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POPOTAN

The cute girls of Popotan—Ai, Mai and Mii—are on a quest. They wander the world in their mobile mansion using their powers to talk to the "Popotan," aka dandelions. Along the way, they have fluffy, frilly, fun adventures meeting all sorts of new people and landing themselves in all kinds of situations. But they never miss a chance to spend some time in the bath or in the buff.

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SPIRAL

Ayumu Narumi's brother disappeared two years ago. Naturally, it has bothered Ayumu ever since, but right now he has more pressing things on his mind—like being a murder suspect! Proving his innocence uncovers a new mystery involving the "Blade Children," a mysterious cult with ties to Ayumu's missing brother. Can Ayumu unravel their secrets?

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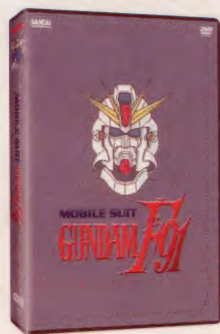
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MOBILE SUIT GUNDAM F91

With years of peace behind them, the Earth Federation is again building space colonies to cope with overpopulation. Enter Crossbone, a new enemy bent on seizing the nascent colony, Frontier Side, for his own. To save the day, a hero emerges in the form of Seabook Arno and his brand new Gundam—the F91. Don't miss this classic Gundam story that's sure to please newbies and experts alike.

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PLEASE TWINS!

Maiku Kamishiro lives in an orphanage, with the only clue to his past being a photo of himself and another person in front of a house. One day he finds that house, and two girls suddenly appear—each claiming to be his long-lost sister. Now Maiku has a problem...not the living-with-two-pretty-girls part, but the conundrum that one might be his sister and the other may be the love of his life.

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PETITE PRINCESS YUCIE

Yucie's dream of becoming a princess is shared by young girls the world over. But she doesn't want to be just any princess—she aspires to be a Platinum Princess! It's the only way

she can break the spell that's been plaguing her. In order to become a Platinum Princess, Yucie must attend the Princess Academy. Thus, our petite heroine embarks on her first great adventure to secure the legendary Tiara of Eternity.

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MOBILE SUIT ZETA GUNDAM

Zeon has long been defeated, and the Titans, an elite military force, have the assignment of keeping the peace. Unfortunately, the Titans trash an entire space colony, reopening old wounds and calling forth a new Gundam to take them to task. This limited-edition box set contains all 50 episodes, a 48-page booklet, a poster and nine figures/pencil sharpeners! What more could you possibly want?

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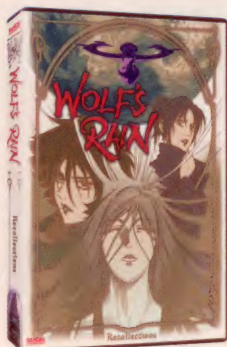


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For the wolves, it's a day of reflection and contemplation as they ponder the things that have brought them to this perilous point. They consider their lost innocence, former friends and past loves. But there's hardly time for too much navel-gazing, as they must continue their efforts to rescue Cheza. Perhaps it's all because of the Book of the Moon...?

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TEXHNOLYZE

The Shapes have clearly done it. Using superior weapons and manpower, they've managed to wipe out the last of Lukuss. The future is hardly as clear as it seems, though. Ran is so disturbed by the future that she tries to escape it, and Ichise departs for the mysterious world of Class. And what of the surface world? Is there salvation to be found there—or only more death?

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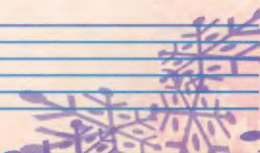
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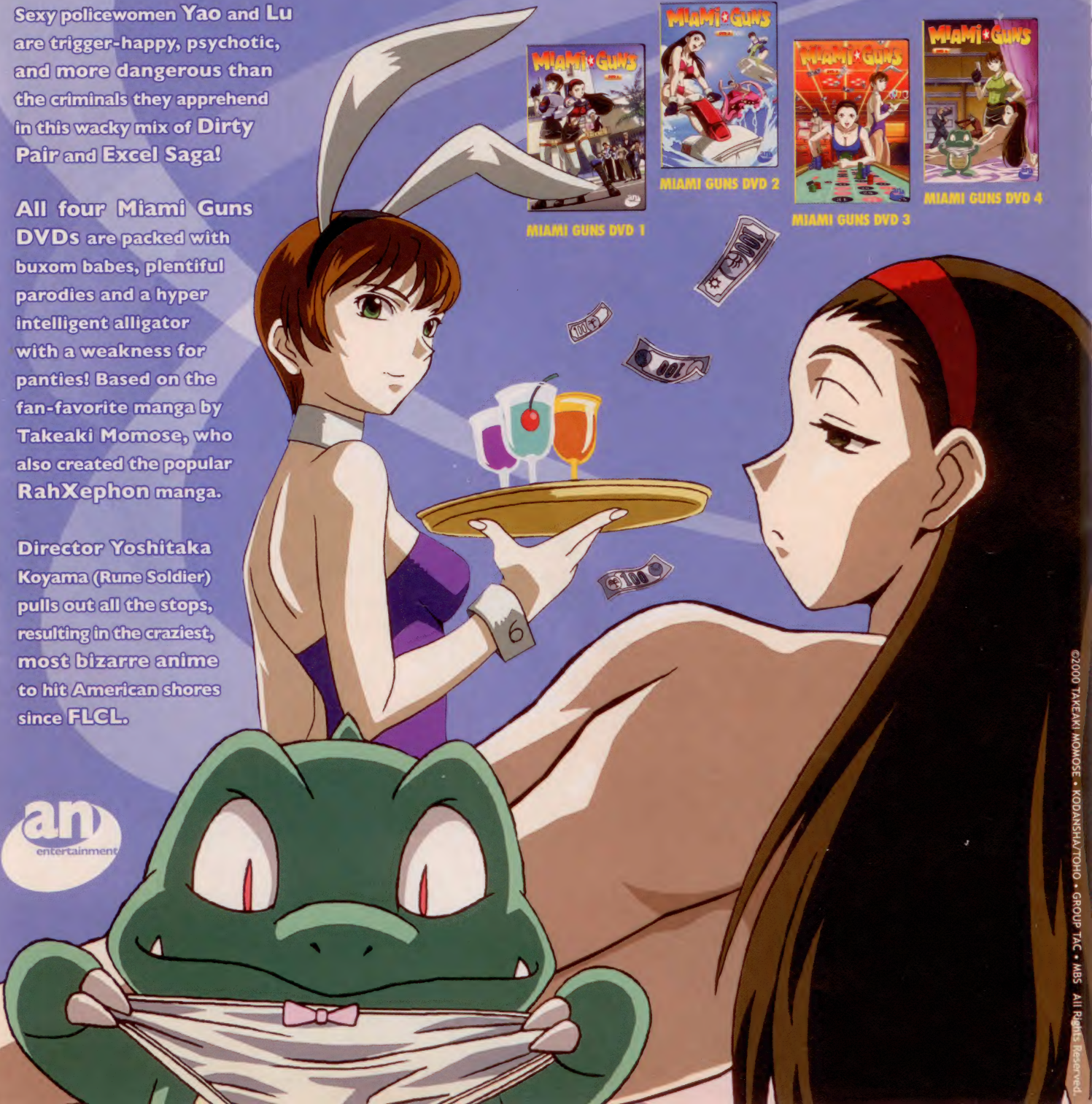
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One of the Magdalen Order's best exorcists, Sister Rosette, has set off on a quest to find her long-lost brother, who was last spotted sporting some unusual headgear—horns! Complicating matters, a powerful witch is hot on Rosette's trail, hoping to settle the score! The holy-rolling fun heats up in *Chrono Crusade*!

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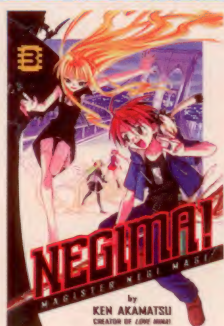
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Kanade is your typical tell-your-future-by-touching-you high school student, but things get sticky when she encounters a future she wants to change. Enter transfer student Arou, who can read your past but has a strict no-tell policy when it comes to meddling in people's lives. Are these two meant to play a part in each other's futures?

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Kenshin has an unusual problem for a samurai: His sakabato is broken. Kenshin sets off to locate Shakkū'u, the creator of the blade, but is turned away by his son. There is an alternative blade—Shakkū'u's final creation—but Kenshin will have to fight one of the "Ten Swords" for it...with his broken sakabato!

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RAY

Ray isn't exactly a typical girl. Born on a body farm, she was intended to be a collection of spare parts for others. But now she works as a nurse and has received some new parts of her own—a nice pair of baby-blue X-ray eyes! Ray uses her eyes for the good of her patients—but her sights are also set on seeking revenge on those nasty people-farmers!

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As if turning into an animal from the Chinese Zodiac every time you get hugged weren't enough of a "family issue," Kyo gets a visitor claiming to be an old friend, and the very threads that hold the Sohma family together will be stretched to their limits. Tooru helps Kyo understand the critters he's trying to hide from.

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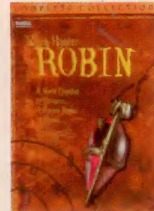
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lady walked away a karaoke machine winner! That's right, wherever Anime Network goes, we come bearing prizes—everything from T-shirts and DVDs to karaoke machines.

In other Out and About news, Anime Network has

officially kicked off its college campus tour. We've been teaming up with college anime clubs to host successful cosplay contests, trivia games, screenings and even a human chess match (don't ask!). We'd like to give a shout-out to our new

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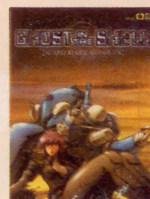
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